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WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1971

ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 66

(By Mr. McKOWN)

PASSED MARCH 4, 1971

In Effect NINETY DAYS FROM Passage



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FILED IN THE OFFICE
JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, IV
SECRETARY OF STATE
THIS DATE 3-15-71

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Senate Bill No. 66
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[Passed March 4, 1971; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article twenty-six, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section thirteen, relating to empowering the West Virginia board of regents to determine minimum standards for institutions of higher education and the conferring of higher education degrees.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article twenty-six, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section thirteen, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 26. WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF REGENTS.**§18-26-13. Accreditation of institutions of higher education;
standards for degrees.**

1 The West Virginia board of regents shall make rules
2 and regulations for the accreditation of all colleges,
3 universities and other institutions of higher education
4 in the state, and shall determine the minimum standards
5 for the conferring of degrees. No institution of higher
6 educational status may confer any degree on any basis
7 of work or merit below the minimum standards pre-
8 scribed by the West Virginia board of regents. Nothing
9 contained herein shall infringe upon the rights granted
10 to any institution by charter given according to law
11 previous to the adoption of this section.

12 No charter or other instrument containing the right
13 to confer degrees of higher educational status shall be
14 granted by the state of West Virginia to any institution,
15 association or organization within the state, nor shall
16 any such degree be awarded until the condition of con-
17 ferring such degree has first been approved in writing
18 by the West Virginia board of regents.

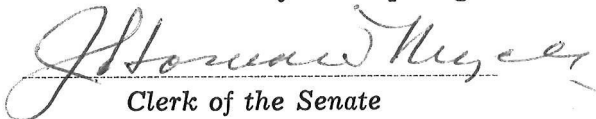
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.


Chairman Senate Committee


Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect 90 days from passage.


Clerk of the Senate


Clerk of the House of Delegates


President of the Senate


Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 13th
day of March, 1971.


Governor



PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date 3/9/71

Time 1:45 p.m.

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